ABSTRACT

The invention herein relates to a method and apparatus for forming (or coldforming) an embossed blister from a laminated film wherein an indicia is formed on
the base of the blister. In particular, the invention involves a single pass process of
combining the formation of a blister and the formation of an indicia (embossing) on
the blister, wherein the blister-forming pin contains a face with an indicia and is
adapted to controllably stretch the laminated film during blister formation to minimize
stretching of the film at the base of the blister. The invention is particularly useful in
manufacturing processes which involve the formation of blisters having laminated
films which contain a metal foil and polymer layer, wherein improved control in the
stretching of the laminate during blister formation is desirable.